



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

September 11, 2000

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COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

- WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that John Kenneth Galbraith has been awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award; and
- WHEREAS: The Presidential Medal of Freedom is awarded by the President of the United States to citizens who have demonstrated an extraordinary devotion to freedom and to serving their fellow human beings; and
- WHEREAS: Throughout his life, John Kenneth Galbraith, Cantabrigian, economist, Harvard University professor emeritus, U.S. Ambassador to India during the Kennedy administration, has invested most of his effort in supporting a reasonably good way of life for all Americans, including those who live below the margin of pleasant sustenance; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on congratulating John Kenneth Galbraith on the occasion of his being awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to **John Kenneth Galbraith** on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Galbraith awarded Medal of Freedom

By Alex Canizares
STATES NEWS SERVICE

WASHINGTON — Harvard economist John Kenneth Galbraith, 91, was honored yesterday with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award.

President Clinton awarded the medal to 15 people yesterday at a ceremony at the White House. The recipients "share in common a devotion to freedom and its expansion, to being good citizens, to serving their fellow human beings," Clinton said at the ceremony. "They have added distinction, richness, depth, and freedom to American life."

The Presidential Medal of Freedom was established in 1963 under President John F. Kennedy.

Clinton hailed Galbraith, who was US ambassador to India in the Kennedy administration, for promoting social justice through economic policy and working to create a "good society."

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After the ceremony, Galbraith, a professor emeritus at Harvard University, said, "The thing I've invested most of my effort in is supporting a reasonably good way of life for all Americans, including those who live below the margin of pleasant sustenance." Galbraith also said he holds in high regard his work to curb the threat of nuclear war.

George McGovern, a former senator from South Dakota and Democratic presidential candidate in 1972, received a medal for sponsoring the Food for Peace program and expanding anti-hunger initiatives. McGovern is now representative to the UN Food



GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JONATHAN WIGGS

John Kenneth Galbraith, a Harvard professor emeritus of economics and former US ambassador to India, receiving his award from President Clinton yesterday during a Washington ceremony.

and Agriculture Organization.

Virginia Chafee accepted an award for her late husband, Senator John Chafee of Rhode Island.

Dr. Mathilde Krim, an AIDS researcher and educator, was awarded a medal for his work for nearly 20 years to search for a cure for the disease and spread awareness. Afterward, Krim said that the recognition of the presidential medal "says that we are doing something right."

Other recipients included the Rev. Jesse Jackson, retired General Wesley K. Clark, retired Ad-

miral William Crowe, Children's Defense Fund president Marian Wright Edelman, women's labor activist Mildred McWilliams Jeffrey, worker advocate Monsignor George G. Higgins of Washington, and Johnson & Johnson CEO and antidrug activist Jim Burke.

Also receiving the award were immigrant rights activist Cruz Reynoso of California, the Rev. Gardner Calvin Taylor of New York, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, and Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal, who was unable to attend.

British estimate scope of mad cow

By Jessie Seyfer
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scientists have reduced their estimate of how many in Britain might develop a deadly brain disorder linked to mad cow disease.

As few as 63 and as many as 136,000 cases of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, the human form of mad cow disease, could eventually appear, according to a new analysis of data through 1999.

About 40 percent of the population is believed to have a genetic predisposition to the disease.

The analysis was published today in the journal *Nature* by Neil Ferguson and his colleagues at the University of Oxford.

Earlier studies by the same group suggested a maximum of 500,000 cases.

There have been 79 confirmed or probable cases of the disease in England, according to the latest United Kingdom Department of Health statistics.

Specialists estimate the variant disease got it from cows with bovine spongiform encephalopathy, a disease or BSE and Jakob disease caused by a brain protein.

Dr. Fred Cohen, a California-San Francisco researcher, questioned the estimate.

"If you suppose it's cause 136, 500,000, but you don't know whether it's 20, or 50, or said.

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Councillor Born

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